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Progress made in the preparation of the Tamil Lexicon.

* 84 Q.—Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR: Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state the progress so far made in the preparation of the Tamil Lexicon and when it is likely to be published?

A.—The hon. Member's attention is invited to the half-yearly progress reports submitted by the Tamil Lexicon Committee. The latest reports are contained in G.O. No. 714, Law (Education), dated the 6th May 1925, placed on the Editors' Table. The Government have no definite information as to when the Lexicon will be completed.

High schools in the Presidency aided by Government in certain ways.

* 85 Q.—Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) the high schools in the Presidency, the net cost of which is borne by the Government, the proportion of the cost so borne, and the scale of pay of the headmasters in the concerned institutions respectively;

(b) whether the municipal high schools at Bellary, Hospet and Adoni and the board schools at Harpanahalli, Penukonda and Nandalur are such net cost schools;

(c) whether the scale of pay of the headmasters of Bellary, Hospet and Harpanahalli is fixed at Rs. 125—5—150 and that of the headmasters of Nandalur and Adoni at Rs. 150—5—175 and that of the headmaster at Penukonda at Rs. 150—10—200 and, if so, the reasons for the variations in the scales in the several cases;

(d) whether the scale of pay of the first assistant in the school at Hospet is fixed at Rs. 90—100, at Bellary and Harpanahalli at Rs. 90—110, at Adoni at Rs. 100—120 and at Penukonda and Nandalur at Rs. 100—125 and, if so, the reasons for the variations in scale in the different schools;

(e) whether the scale of pay of the second assistant in the schools of Bellary, Hospet and Harpanahalli is fixed at Rs. 80—100, in Penukonda and Adoni at Rs. 90—110, and in Nandalur at Rs. 90—2—120 and, if so, the reasons for the difference in scales of the said schools; and

(f) whether the scale of pay of the third assistant of the schools at Bellary, Hospet, Harpanahalli, Penukonda and Adoni is fixed at Rs. 80—100 and in Nandalur at Rs. 90—120 and, if so, the reasons for the difference in the respective scales of pay?

A.—(a) A statement is laid on the table.^a

(b) Yes.

(c), (d), (e) & (f) The answer is in the affirmative except in respect of the municipal high school, Hospet, and in the case of second assistant, Nandalur, where the increment is Rs. 3 annually. The scales of pay vary according to local conditions and the particular circumstances of the school.

Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR:—“A reference to the appendix to the question will show that the scales of pay vary. It is said that the ‘scales

^a Printed as Appendix I on pages 255–256 infra.